

Utah Department of Community and Culture Division of Housing and Community Development



UINTAH BASIN REVITALIZATION FUND

LEGISLATIVE REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2008

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Statutory Authority

The Uintah Basin Revitalization Fund (UBRF) is a program of the State of Utah authorized in Section 9-10-101, et seq. The goal of the UBRF is to provide grants and/or loans to agencies of county or tribal government in the Uintah Basin, which are impacted by the development of oil and gas interests held in trust for the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation and its members.

Board Membership

The UBRF is controlled by a five-member board comprised of a governor's designee, a Duchesne County Commissioner, a Uintah County Commissioner and two representatives of the Ute Indian Tribe's Business Committee.

The Division of Housing and Community Development within the Utah Department of Community and Culture provides administrative and operational support to the UBRF.

Eligible Applicants

The UBRF Board may authorize grants and/or loans to agencies of Duchesne County, Uintah County or the Ute Indian Tribe that are or may be socially or economically impacted, directly or indirectly, by development of oil and gas interests held in trust for the Ute Indian Tribe. Formal applications for UBRF grants are submitted by the respective county commissions or the tribal Business Committee. All decisions of the UBRF Board require four affirmative votes.

Eligible Projects

- Capital projects, including subsidized and low-income housing, and other one-time need projects and programs.
- Projects and programs associated with the geographic area where the oil and gas are produced.

Prohibited Activities

- Start-up or operational costs of private business ventures.
- General operating budgets of Duchesne County, Uintah County or the Ute Indian Tribe.

Funding Process

The UBRF reviews applications and authorizes funding assistance on a periodic basis.
 Meetings are held in February and August.

Funding Guidelines

 Each year, at the August meeting, the UBRF allocates its annual revenue between the three eligible entities.

Table 1
Approved Projects FY06–08

	FY 06		FY 07			FY 08			
Project Category	# Projects		UBRF \$	# Projects		UBRF \$	# Projects		UBRF \$
Transportation (roads/bridges/airports)	1	\$	8,000	7	\$	1,400,142	3	\$	741,400
Utility Improvements (electric, water, sewer)	1	\$	100,000	2	\$	355,000	4	\$	1,275,000
General Government Buildings	16	\$	1,473,480	25	\$	3,493,163	6	\$	2,277,000
Recreation/Cultural	13	\$	929,681	7	\$	303,199	3	\$	406,160
Education	1	\$	100,000	0	\$	-	1	\$	400,000
Housing	1	\$	-	2	\$	62,857	7	\$	1,265,000
Planning	2	\$	8,855	8	\$	1,780,129	0		
TOTAL	35	\$	2,620,016	51	\$	7,394,490	24	\$	6,364,560

Table 2 <u>UBRF Board Members</u>

(As of 8/1/08)

Member

John Harja, Chairman Ron Groves Phillip Chimburas Commissioner Michael McKee Commissioner Rod Harrison Representing

Governor's Office
Ute Indian Tribe Business Committee
Ute Indian Tribe Business Committee
Uintah County
Duchesne County

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